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Serial No.: 10/572,923	:	Confirmation No. 7025
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Filed: March 21, 2006	:	
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For: ROTARY FLUID DEVICE PERFORMING	:	
COMPRESSION AND EXPANSION OF	:	
FLUID WITHIN A COMMON CYLINDER:	:	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH CERTIFICATION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant brings the references listed on the attached PTO-1449-Form to the Examiner's attention and requests that they be considered and made of record in this application. Copies of the non-U.S. patents are attached.

I hereby certify that each item of information in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited for the first time in any communication from a foreign patent office in any counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

No fee is believed to be required in view of the above certification. However, Applicant authorizes the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to charge payment of the Petition fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) *if required* and any other fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1836.

Chinese Patent Publication appears to disclose a rotor-type expander in conjunction with a compressor, a gas cooler and an evaporator to form a CO₂ circulating system. An English abstract is provided to better understand this reference.

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